



John Calvelli is the Executive Vice President for the Public Affairs Division of the Wildlife Conservation Society, which includes the Government and Community Affairs and Communications departments.

Prior to joining WCS in 2000, Calvelli served as a senior staff person to Congressman Eliot Engel (D-Bronx). As Administrative Assistant/Counsel, he had oversight responsibility for Congressional administrative office functions and oversaw, directed and supervised all legislative initiatives of Rep. Engel during his tenure on the House Commerce Committee, the International Relations Committee, the Science Committee and the Education and Labor Committee. Prior to his work in Washington, DC John was chosen to participate in a clinical program with the Civil Division of the Office of then U.S. Attorney Rudolph Giuliani and subsequently served as Associate Counsel to the New York State Assembly.

John currently serves as a member of the Executive Committee of the International Conservation Partnership (ICP), a coordinative body comprised of public affairs representatives from the major global US conservation organizations. The ICP helps to coordinate policy initiatives with a focus on educating the U.S. Congress and appropriate governmental agencies on global conservation needs.

John served as a lead member of the negotiation team during the land transfer of 680,000 acres on Tierra del Fuego from Goldman Sachs to the Wildlife Conservation Society in 2003. The first of its kind, this landmark public-private partnership resulted in the creation of Karukinka, a nature preserve on that protects key ecological features found in this extraordinary part of the world.

John serves on the Board of New York City and Company, the National Italian American Foundation, the Bronx Overall Development Corporation, the Picture House Regional Film Center, and the Capitol Hill Alumni Association. He is a member of the Board of Advisors of the Fordham University President's Council, Food Patch, a domestic hunger relief charity, and CAUSE-NY. On October 15, 1999, the Republic of Italy bestowed the honorific title of Knighthood in the Order of Merit to Calvelli for his work promoting stronger US-Italy relations.

Calvelli graduated from Salesian High School, Fordham University and went on to earn a law degree from Fordham Law School

**House Appropriations Subcommittee on Interior, Environment &
Related Agencies**

Witness Disclosure Form

Clause 2(g) of rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives requires non-governmental witnesses to disclose to the Committee the following information. A non-governmental witness is any witness appearing on behalf of himself/herself or on behalf of an organization other than a federal agency, or a state, local or tribal government.

Your Name, Business Address, and Telephone Number:

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1. Are you appearing on behalf of yourself or a non-governmental organization? Please list organization(s) you are representing.

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2. Have you or any organization you are representing received any Federal grants or contracts (including any subgrants or subcontracts) since October 1, 2008?

Yes **No**

3. If your response to question #2 is "Yes", please list the amount and source (by agency and program) of each grant or contract, and indicate whether the recipient of such grant or contract was you or the organization(s) you are representing.

The Wildlife Conservation Society received \$31.05 million from federal funding sources in 2011. A list of federal agencies supporting WCS's work can be found on page 73 of our most recent annual report available at: <http://www.wcs.org/files/pdfs/wcs-2011-annual-report.pdf>.

Signature:

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